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- 1. EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED A LETTER FROM COMMISSIONER LIBRADO IBE OF THE PEAC GIVING HIS OFFICIAL RESPONSE TO MOST RECENT U.S. TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR THE INFCEP PROVIDED HIM BY EMBASSY. SEE REFTEL.
- 2. LETTER ADDRESSED TO ACTING ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR STATES:

QUOTE: THANK YOU FOR YOUR LETTER OF 11 AUGUST 1977, INFORMING US OF YOUR GOVERNMENT'S CURRENT THINKING REGARDING THE INTERNATIONAL NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE EVALUATION PROGRAM (INFCEP).

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THE PHILIPPINES WOULD BE INTERESTED IN STUDIES ON THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

1B. URANIUM AVAILABILITY, TOUCHING ON THOSE ASPECTS ENUMERATED IN THE REPORT.

D. THORIUM AVAILABILITY, WITH RESPECT TO ITS

EXPLORATION AND TECHNIQUES.

3. ASSURANCES FOR LONG TERM SUPPLY IN THE INTEREST OF NON-PROLIFERATION.

4A. REPROCESSING, ESPECIALLY ON REGIONAL FUEL CYCLE CENTERS AND WASTE MANAGEMENT.

6. SPENT FUEL STORAGE AND DISPOSAL FOR PRESENT THERMAL REACTORS, ESPECIALLY ON:

A. STORAGE STRATEGIES AND COSTS FOR LIGHT WATER REACTORS.

B. SHORT-TERM/INTERMEDIATE STORAGE, ON THOSE ITEMS ENUMERATED, WHICH ARE WAYS TO INCREASE SPENT FUEL STORAGE;

SITING AND TRANSPORTATION PROBLEMS;

MORE EFFICIENT UTILIZATION OF EXISTING SPENT FUEL CAPACITY.

COSTS AND LEGAL CONSTRAINTS.

C. SPENT FUELD REPOSITORIES (PERMANENT OR RETRIEVABLE), LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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ON SITING PROBLEMS INCLUDING INTERNATIONAL REPOSITORIES, POSSIBILITIES OR RISKS OF FURTHER RECOVERY, INVIRONMENTAL AND SAFETY ASPECTS INCLUDING FUEL INTEGRITY PROBLEMS, COSTS AND LEGAL CONSTRAINTS.

THE PHILIPPINES WILL SOON HAVE AN OPERATING NUCLEAR POWER PLANT, AND IS VERY MUCH CONCERNED WITH THE STORAGE AND REPROCESSING OF SPENT FUEL FROM NUCLEAR POWER REACTORS. FOR THIS REASON, WE WOULD BE PREPARED TO PARTICIPATE ACTIVELY ON ITEMS 3, 4A, 6A AND 6B.

WE WISH TO ASSURE YOU OF OUR CONTINUED COOPERATION IN THIS RESPECT. (SIGNED BY LIBRADO D. IBE). END QUOTE

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